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**UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.

01311.001006.1

First Named Inventor or Application Identifier

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

**ADDRESS TO:**Mail Stop Patent Application  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-14501. ☐ Fee Transmittal Form  
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.3. ☒ Specification Total Pages 4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) Total Sheets 5. ☒ Oath or Declaration Total Pages a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed Statement attached deleting  
inventor(s) named in the prior application, see  
37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).6. ☒ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.767. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer  
Program (Appendix)8. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)

b. Specification Sequence Listing on:

i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); orii. ☐ paperc. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)12. ☒ Information Disclosure ☐ Copies of IDS  
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)16. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

17. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No. 09/982,622  
Prior application information: Examiner M. Shingleton Group/Art Unit: 2817

For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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CLAIMS	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
	TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	4-20 =	0	X \$ 86.00 =	\$0
	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	3-3 =	0	X \$ 86.00 =	\$0
	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16(d))			\$290.00 =	\$0
				BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))	\$770.00
			Total of above Calculations = \$770.00		
	Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).				\$385.00
	TOTAL =				\$385.00

19. Small entity status

- a. ☐ A small entity statement is enclosed
- b. ☐ A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
- c. ☐ Is no longer claimed.

20. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 385.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

21. ☐ A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the recordal fee is enclosed.

22. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 06-1205:

- a. ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
- b. ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.17.
- c. ☐ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.18.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED	
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